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TO-DAY'S WAR TELEGRAMS.

GERMAN GARRISON AT MORA SURRENDERS.

CONQUEST OF THE CAMEROONS NOW COMPLETED.

Another American Munitions Factory Destroyed
by Fire.

RUSSIANS STILL PURSUING TURKS IN ASIA MINOR.

[Reuter's Service to the "Telegraph"]

GREECE AND THE BALKANS.

ENEMY CONSULS ARRESTED.

February 19, 3.45 p.m.

Reuter's correspondent at Athens says that the Allies have arrested enemy Consuls at Scio and have taken them on board the warships.

GENERAL SARRAIL ARRIVES AT ATHENS.

February 19, 3.45 p.m.

Reuter's correspondent at Athens says that General Sarrail is arriving on Monday and will be received by the King.

ALLIES OCCUPY ANOTHER GREEK ISLAND.

February 19, 4.50 p.m.

According to Reuter's correspondent at Athens the Allies have occupied the island of Othonus, north of Corfu.

PRINCE NICHOLAS EXPLAINS.

(Havas Telegram.)

February 19.

Prince Nicholas of Greece has sent to *Le Temps* a long letter, explaining the attitude of Greece, in order to clear up all misunderstandings between her and the Allies. He affirms that the feeling in Greece is of two sorts: one urging Greece to co-operate in the war on the side of the Allies, and the other advocating the maintenance of neutrality. He says that Greece never intended to participate on the side of the Central Powers and that she will always preserve the best feeling for the Nations who contributed so much to her regeneration.

AN AMERICAN MUNITIONS FACTORY DESTROYED.

LOSS OF OVER A MILLION DOLLARS.

February 19, 3.45 p.m.

Reuter's correspondent at Kingsport, Tennessee, says that a munitions factory has been destroyed by fire. The loss is said to be over a million dollars.

BRITISH RESTRICTION ON TOBACCO.

UNEASINESS IN CUBA.

February 19, 3.45 p.m.

Reuter's correspondent at Havana says that the British restriction on tobacco is causing uneasiness among the Cubans, who are appealing to be allowed to fulfil existing contracts.

THE ALLIES IN THE WEST.

SMALL GERMAN ATTACK REPULSED.

February 19, 4.50 p.m.

Reuter's correspondent at Paris states that the Germans yesterday evening attempted a small attack to the north of Blangy in Artois which was easily repulsed.

ARTILLERY SHELLS ENEMY INFANTRY COLUMN.

February 20, 12.50 a.m.

A Paris communique says:—In Artois north of Hill 140 we exploded a mine under a German salient, which was wrecked. Our artillery shelled an enemy infantry column north of the Aisne and also bombarded some enemy works in Lorraine, causing fire, and some German trenches in upper Alsace.

MUTUAL ARTILLERY ACTIVITY.

February 19, 11.50 p.m.

A communique says:—Early on Friday morning the Germans made raids into our trenches near Gommecourt, capturing a few prisoners. We had seven killed and wounded. Last night there was some mutual artillery activity about Hooge. To-day we bombarded a strong enemy point near Le Bouquet.

THE ARMENIAN MASSACRES.

AMERICA PROTESTS TO THE PORTE.

February 19, 12.40 p.m.

According to Reuter's correspondent at New York Mr. Lansing has cabled to the American Embassy at Constantinople to protest to the Porte against the Armenian massacres, and expresses the hope that the perpetrators will be punished. If there is a repetition of the massacres the American Government will be compelled to take more drastic action.

WAR TELEGRAMS.

THE TORPEDOING OF MERCHANTMEN.

MORE GERMAN SUBTLE SUGGESTIONS.

February 19, 12.40 p.m.

According to Reuter's correspondent at Amsterdam a German communique quotes a New York telegram to the effect that Germany has postponed the torpedoing of armed merchantmen until April so that the United States will be able to warn Americans asking for passports on such vessels. Berlin pretends to have no knowledge of this, but obviously it is a German subtle suggestion to trap the United States.

[The following telegrams appeared in our special edition of yesterday:—]

THE RUSSIANS.

February 19, 4.05 a.m.

A Petrograd communique states that enemy Zeppelins and aeroplanes have made frequent bomb-dropping raids on the Riga and Drinsk sectors, and that the Russian airmen are replying by vigorously bombing the enemy lines.

The enemy on the Dniester, after a prolonged artillery preparation, attacked near Ustiecko, but was repulsed.

Our heavy guns have destroyed an enemy battery north-east of Chernovitz.

(Havas Telegram.)

February 17.

The Russians have repulsed all German attacks against Gornavskow and Usiecko. A Russian dirigible has bombarded the town and railway station of Podhajec.

WAR FUNDS.

February 19, 1.20 p.m.

The *Daily Telegraph* remarks that the Vote of Credit of £420,000,000 will make the total votes sanctioned £2,682,000,000, and adds that a satisfactory feature is the rapidity with which the revenue is coming in. It is expected that there will be a total of £357,000,000 for 1915-16, as against an estimated £305,000,000.

MORE RUBBER SMUGGLING.

February 19, 1.20 p.m.

Reuter's correspondent at New York says that two Germans have been arrested for trying to smuggle rubber into Norway. The luggage of one woman contained 550 pounds of rubber and five hundred pairs of rubber gloves.

THE ALLIES IN THE WEST.

February 18, 4.50 p.m.

A Paris communique states that the night has been calm.

February 18, 11.45 p.m.

A communique says: Our artillery bombarded a position north of the Ypres-Commines canal. Artillery on both sides is generally active on the Ypres front and elsewhere. Minor artillery bombardments have been carried out on both sides at various points.

February 19, 1.35 a.m.

A Paris communique says:—The enemy in Upper Alsace, after an intense artillery preparation, attacked north of Lurgitzen and, for the moment, gained a footing in our trenches, but a counter-attack immediately ejected them. We exploded a mine under a German trench to the north-west of Hill 149 in Artois; the trench was badly damaged, while another of our mines caused a huge crater between two more trenches. We occupied the southern lip, and the enemy's attempt to dislodge us was stopped dead by our fire. The Anglo-French artillery south of Fosse prevented an enemy attack which was being prepared. We destructively shelled a salient of the enemy line north of the Aisne.

February 19, 12.50 p.m.

A correspondent at Headquarters says that the position south-east of Ypres, following the German capture of some hundreds of yards of trenches, amounts to the creation of a new No Man's Land, with British and German infantry lying on opposite sides of the low ridge formerly held by the British. The so-called "captured" position is so torn into craters by shells that the enemy is unable to occupy it.

This ridge is north of the Ypres-Commines Canal, conspicuous above a marshy plain; and the fact that the British front line lay above the enemy trenches doubtless inspired Sunday night's attack. After half a dozen feints at other portions of the salient, the Germans exploded several mines. Their infantry then advanced in masses, reaching the battered bluff subsequent to the British counter-attack, which was characterised by the use of an enormous number of bombs; one party used 2,300 of these. Simultaneously our artillery was concentrated on the tightly-packed Germans, with disastrous effect.

The Germans are still sacrificing their men in a desperate effort to hold one slope of the ridge.

THE ERZERUM VICTORY.

February 19, 1.20 p.m.

According to Reuter's correspondent at Petrograd, later details concerning the capture of Erzerum show that several forts and heavy guns were taken with the bayonet, as only mountain artillery could be brought up. Then followed a twenty-four hours' assault, without respite, which reached its fiercest during the night. By dawn the Russians had captured the first line of the central forts; the Turks at first withdrew slowly, and then fled; the Russian cavalry entered the fortress; then the infantry. Practically everything was intact.

The fall of Erzerum is regarded as the precursor of the destruction of five Turkish corps, whose value disappears with the capture of the fortress. The two corps that are hastening towards Erzerum are useless, as they are without their artillery, which has been despatched towards the sea, via Trebizond.

Further details are lacking because the Russians are still vigorously pursuing the enemy, whose attempt to make a stand, ten miles from the fortress, failed.

WAR TELEGRAMS.

IN THE BALKANS.

February 18, 12.55 p.m.

Reuter's correspondent at Salonika says:—A rousing air fight took place north of Salonika, where a French aeroplane tackled an aviatik from which photographs were being taken of the French lines. The Frenchman drove the Prussian pilot and officer to the ground. The German officer had five bullets in his thigh, but the French were unhurt. The aviatik is intact and is being publicly exhibited at Salonika. General Sarrail decorated the airman and announced that 165 bombs had been dropped on the Bulgarian camp at Strumnitza, with important results. En route the German squadron had been engaged and one Frenchman was wounded. All returned safely.

February 19, 2.40 p.m.

Reuter's correspondent at Athens says that the presence of Italian troops in Corfu was the subject of a debate in the Chamber. The Premier, replying to vehement protest, said that the Allies had assured the Government that Corfu would be restored in due time. Moreover, the Italian force was limited to the fifty carabinieri escorting the Montenegrin troops who had been sent to Corfu to recuperate.

THE ITALIANS.

February 19, 11.45 p.m.

A Rome communique says that there have been successful infantry encounters in the Sugana valley, and that the Italians on the Carso plateau rushed a trench.

ERZERUM AND AFTER.

February 18, 3 p.m.

H. M. the King has sent the following message to the Tsar:—"Heartiest congratulations on the splendid achievement of your gallant troops at Erzerum after such hard fighting, which, I trust, will have far-reaching effects."

February 18, 8.15 p.m.

The *Cologne Gazette* attributes the fall of Erzerum to Turkey's lack of railways and fleet. The Turkish communique does not mention Erzerum.

February 19, 3.15 p.m.

Reuter's correspondent in Petrograd says that there are rejoicings in Russia over the capture of Erzerum. In all the towns there are processions, shouting "Honour to the Tsar, the Grand Duke Nicholas and our valiant army." *Te Deums* are being sung in all the churches, which are thronged with people. There was a most imposing demonstration at Tiflis on the occasion of the arrival of the Grand Duke to announce the victory. The town was bedecked and the Grand Duke had repeatedly to leave the palace to respond to the plaudits of the multitude.

February 19, 4.05 a.m.

A Petrograd communique says:—The defeat of the Turks at Erzerum is of the most complete description. The forts are full of corpses and the remnants of the Turkish army are fleeing in disorder in all directions. The Russians, undeterred by severe snowstorms, are closely following, killing or capturing the tails of the columns. We have captured the whole of the fortress artillery and the bulk of the field guns. Up to the present, two hundred guns have been counted. There is also huge booty in the way of munitions, rifles, motor-cars, wireless apparatus and pontoons. The number of prisoners taken in the vast fortress region is still uncounted. The troops of the Caucasus army, despite their supreme efforts and ceaseless fighting for over a month, under the most difficult geographical conditions, have had but slight losses, and are ready for fresh exploits when their Sovereign Chief commands. The Russians on the Caucasus littoral have dislodged the Turks from a series of positions, capturing many prisoners and supplies, while our warships have destroyed permanent bridges and fifteen sailing ships, west of Trebizond. (Continued on page 8.)

NEWS FOR BUSY MEN.

CONDENSED.

THE ALLIES HAVE OCCUPIED THE ISLAND OF OTHONUS.

THE RUSSIANS STORMED THE TOWNS OF MUSH AND AHALAT.

A GERMAN SMALL ATTACK IN ARTOIS WAS EASILY REPULSED.

THE PASSENGERS OF THE COMRIE CASTLE HAVE BEEN LANDED.

FRENCH BOMBARDED ENEMY STRONG POINT NEAR LE BOUQUET.

THE COMRIE CASTLE WENT ASHORE WHILE ENTERING MOMBASA.

AUSTRALIA'S PREMIER HAS BEEN SWORN IN THE PRIVY COUNCIL.

ENEMY CONSULS WERE ARRESTED AT SCIO AND TAKEN ON WARSHIPS.

GENERAL SARRAIL ARRIVED AT ATHENS. THE KING RECEIVED HIM.

A MUNITIONS FACTORY AT KINGSFORD HAS BEEN DESTROYED BY FIRE.

THE KINGSFORD MUNITIONS FACTORY FIRE LOSS IS A MILLION DOLLARS.

BRITISH TOBACCO RESTRICTION IS CAUSING THE CUBANS UNEASINESS.

THE COMRIE CASTLE IS ON LEVEN KEEL, HER POSITION IS NOT DANGEROUS.

LAST NIGHT THERE WAS MUTUAL ARTILLERY ACTIVITY ABOUT HOOGHE.

FRENCH ARTILLERY SHELLED ENEMY INFANTRY NORTH OF THE AISNE.

GERMANS MADE RAIDS INTO FRENCH TRENCHES NEAR GOMMECOURT.

IN THE ASSAULT OF ERZERUM A RUSSIAN CORPS CAPTURED 240 GUNS.

THE GERMAN GARRISON AT MORA, NORTHERN CAMEROONS, HAS SURRENDERED. THIS COMPLETES CONQUEST OF THE CAMEROONS.

THIRTY-EIGHT GERMAN MILITARY AGENTS WERE REMOVED FROM THE "CHINA" OFF WOOSUNG BY A BRITISH AUXILIARY CRUISER.

THE AMERICAN EMBASSY AT CONSTANTINOPLE PROTESTS AGAINST ARMENIAN MASSACRES AND IF REPEATED WILL TAKE MORE DRASTIC ACTION.

IT IS SAID THAT GERMANY HAS POSTPONED TORPEDOING ARMED MERCHANTMEN UNTIL APRIL. BERLIN PRETENDS SHE KNOWS NOTHING OF THIS.

TELEGRAMS.

COMRIE CASTLE ASHORE.

Passengers Landed.

(Reuter's Service to the "Telegraph")

London, Received, February 19.

The a.s. Comrie Castle went ashore while entering Mombasa, and is now on Leven Reef. Assistance has been rendered, but she is still fast. Passengers have been sent ashore. It is hoped to float her in the afternoon after removing some of her cargo. Her position is described as not dangerous.

THE SITUATION IN CHINA.

A Peking Denial.

(Havas Telegram.)

Peking, Received, February 21.

From Peking it is officially denied that Lungchow has been captured by the rebels.

FIRE AT GENOA.

Two Foreigners Arrested.

(Havas Telegram.)

Pavia, Received, February 20.

A violent conflagration has broken out in the harbour at Genoa. Two foreigners have been put under arrest.

[The following telegram appeared in our special edition of yesterday:—]

LORD CHELMSFORD.

NEW VICEROY ON THE SICK LIST.

Received, February 20.

Lord Chelmsford is suffering from a severe chill.

EAST HERTS VACANCY.

SIR J. F. ROLLESTON RESIGNS HIS SEAT.

Received, February 20.

Mr. Pemberton Billing, who was defeated in the Mile End election, is contesting the East Hertfordshire Division, now vacant owing to the resignation of Sir J. F. Rolleston.

FRENCH MERCHANT MARINE.

THE DECREE OF 1911.

(Havas Telegram.)

Pavia, Received, Feb. 20.

The Merchant Marine Commission has had a hearing and has made a communication on the violation of the Mercantile Marine decree enacted on December 21, 1911.

NICARAGUA AND U.S.

London, Received, February 20.

According to Reuter's correspondent at Washington, the United States Senate has ratified the Nicaragua Treaty, under which the United States acquires a canal route through Nicaragua and also a naval base on the Bay of Fonseca.

THE FLOOD IN HOLLAND.

EMERGENCY DAM BURSTS.

London, Received, February 19.

Reuter's correspondent at Amsterdam says that the emergency dam at Purmerend has burst and that the water is rising in most violently. The alarm was sounded and the burgomaster ordered everybody to the refuge station.

POSITION GROWS MORE SERIOUS.

London, Received, February 19.

Purmerend is practically submerged and the situation at Zeeland is serious. The main street is submerged and the emergency bridges have been swept away.

GENERAL NEWS

Russia and the Yokohama Specie Bank.

On February 7, in Tokyo, a contract was signed between the representative of the Russian Government and the Yokohama Specie Bank, representing the underwriters, for the issue of £50,000,000 Russian Treasury Bills, says the Japan Chronicle.

Opium Smuggling into Australia. London, January 4.—Scotland Yard, in response to a request from the Commonwealth, is endeavouring to trace the source from which large quantities of opium have recently been smuggled into various Australian ports. It is suspected that Chinese, sailing from Liverpool, are the chief offenders.

Fire at Chatham R. E. Barracks. A fire broke out in some of the quarters at the Royal Engineers' Barracks at Chatham last month, and the flames were not extinguished until many buildings were destroyed. The military and naval brigades had the help of the dockyard brigade and the brigades from the towns of Chatham, Rochester, and Gillingham. The fire originated in the stables underneath the quarters, but the horses were safely removed.

Earthquake Shock in England. An earthquake shock was felt over a wide area in North Staffordshire and North Shropshire about 7.30 p.m. on January 14. The tremor was accompanied by a loud rumbling noise, and resembled the effect of a mine explosion. At Stafford, chimneys fell on house-tops, furniture in houses oscillated, and people walking along the street were thrown off their feet. At the Stoke Theatre the shock was very plainly felt, and some alarm was caused for a minute or two. At the Stoke Town Hall the building was felt to rock distinctly.

American Secret Code Stolen. Washington, February 13.—A Japanese, employed by the navy department, was discharged on Saturday in connection with the disappearance of a copy of the United States secret naval code book. The book, which was carefully guarded, was stolen recently from the U. S. destroyer Hull. After a careful investigation suspicion fastened upon a Japanese, employed in a mental capacity. Although no conclusive proof could be secured against the suspect, the naval authorities deemed the circumstances evidence sufficient to warrant his dismissal.

Wanted: a Piano. It seems quite the fashion, if anything is wanted in the way of a charitable gift for the wounded soldiers, to make application to the members of the Baltic Exchange says the Shipping and Mercantile Gazette. This, no doubt, is due to the splendid spirit which has been shown in the past by those connected with the Exchange. And there is nothing to indicate that the members are in any way weary of well-doing. The latest request is for a piano for Charing Cross Hospital. That piano will certainly come along—and, if it were necessary, no doubt the Baltic could supply a man who would be quite willing to play it. Who will succeed Mr. Garrison?

Washington, February 13.—President Wilson has gone for a trip on his yacht, in order to be undisturbed in his consideration of a successor to the late Secretary of War, Mr. Garrison. The three names now most prominently mentioned in connection with the post are those of the Secretary of the Interior, Mr. Franklin K. Lane, the Secretary of Agriculture, Mr. David F. Houston, and the former Governor of Missouri, Mr. J. W. Folk, at present chief counsel of the Interstate Commerce Commission. As a result of Mr. Garrison's resignation, harmony and co-operation now prevail between the Senate and House military committees. It is now believed that the army bills of both Houses will incorporate the plans of the war department with the exception of those for a Continental army.

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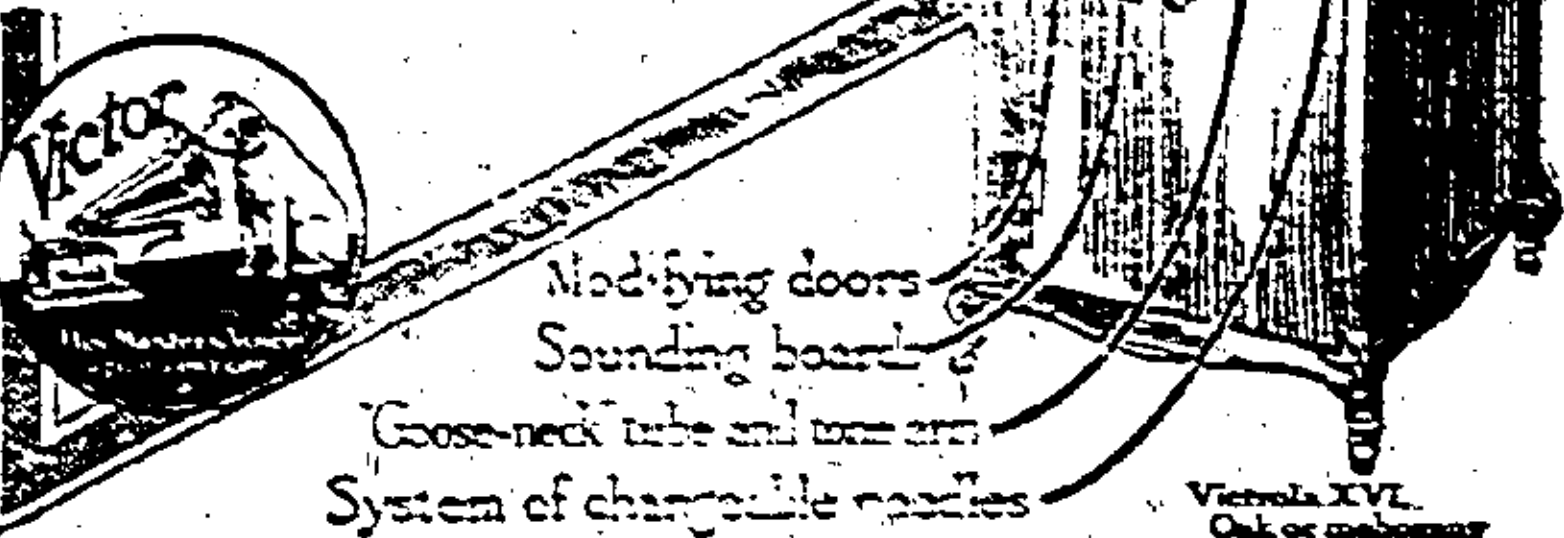
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SPORTSMEN MENTIONED IN DESPATCHES.

A Remarkable List.

One notable feature of the present war has been the way in which sportsmen have distinguished themselves. Many of them have laid down their lives, but many more remain to bring into action the lessons learned from games before the war.

Probably no branch of sport can show such a roll of honour as the game of Rugby football, which has indeed given of its best. This fact is proved by the recent despatches of Sir John French, in which the names of many Rugby footballers appear.

Among English internationals we find the names of Lieutenant A. H. MacLennan, R.F.A., the United Services and Yorkshire forward; Captain J. A. S. Rison, Durham Light Infantry, of the Northern Club and Northumberland; Lieutenant C. S. L. Roberts, R.A.M.C., of Guy's and United Hospitals; Lieutenant J. H. E. Dixon, West Riding Brigade R.F.A., of Headingley and Yorkshire; Brevet Major G. E. B. Dobbs, R.E., of Blackheath; and Second Lieutenant A. W. Symington, the old Cambridge Blue. Scotland is represented by two famous forwards in J. R. C. Greenlees and H. G. Monteith, both old Cambridge men, captains in the R.A.M.C. and holders of the D.S.O.; and among Irish internationals are the late Captain Basil Macleod, the famous Bedford and Blackheath three-quarter; Captain W. Tyrrell, R.A.M.C., the Queen's University, Belfast, forward; Captain R. Hemphill, R.A.M.C., Dublin University and United Services; Captain J. O. A. Dowse, R.A.M.C., the Monkstown forward; and Second Lieutenant C. T. O'Callaghan, 1st Dragoons, attached North Somerset Yeomanry, the Old Merchant Taylors three-quarter.

It is appropriate that in this list should appear the name of Major J. Rainford-Hansay, Royal West Surrey Regiment and General Headquarters Staff, who was the hon. secretary of the Army Rugby Football Union. Among well-known club and country players we find the late Second Lieutenant W. B. Ellison, K.F.A., who was captain of Liverpool University and played for Lancashire; Lieutenant K. March, Cardiff, R.E., the Woolwick and Army forward; the late Second Lieutenant R. M. Goodman, Border Regiment, the Richmond and Surrey half back; Lieutenant F. C. Pym, Yorkshire Regiment, the Old Leysian, Cambridge, and Durham three-quarter; Captain W. Owen, Welsh Regiment, the Blackheath and Army three-quarter; Major A. W. Pagan, Gloucester Regiment, who was in his regimental team which won the Army Cup; Lieutenant H. W. Perse, Royal Fusiliers, who just missed his Blue at Oxford but played for the Trojans of Southampton and for Hampshire; Lieutenant C. Thorne, East Surrey Regiment, the old Halesbury and Cambridge three-quarter;

Lieutenant C. R. M. Hutchinson, R.F.A., the Army three-quarter; Captain C. W. Sparks, R.A.M.C., of St. Thomas's Hospital and Surrey; Captain H. R. Friedlander, R.A.M.C., of St. Bartholomew's Hospital and Surrey; and Second Lieutenant M. H. Gilkes, London Regiment, who was recently in the Dulwich team.

There are several well-known cricketers in the honour list, among them being Lord Dalmeny, General Headquarters Staff, who captained Surrey a few years ago; Second Lieutenant A. W. Carr, 5th Royal Irish Lancers, the Nottinghamshire player; Second Lieutenant K. L. Gibbon, 6th Dragoons Guards, the Essex wicket-keeper; Captain H. S. Kaye, Yorkshire Light Infantry, who succeeded Lord Hawke as captain of Yorkshire; the late Major K. R. McClellan, 14th Sikhs, attached Royal Scots, who made several big scores at Dulwich and in India; Lieutenant H. W. Perse, Royal Fusiliers, who played for Hampshire; Second Lieutenant G. L. Jackson, Rifle Brigade, who was in the Harrow team a few years ago; and Second Lieutenant G. S. Rawstone, Seaford Highlanders, who was recently a prominent member of the Eton eleven.

Association football claims two well-known players in Captain T. S. Rowlandson, Yorkshire Regiment, the old Oxford, cornishman, and English international goalkeeper; and Lieutenant I. E. Snell, London Regiment, who played full back for Oxford, the Outcasts, and the Corinthians; hockey is represented by Major J. C. L. Godfrey, Army Service Corps, who has done so much for the game in the army, and Captain B. W. Vann, North and Derby Regiment, the old Cambridge Blue; lacrosse by Captain D. Tosetti, Royal Berkshire Regiment, the English international; lawn tennis by Lieutenant L. E. Milburn, Suffolk Regiment; golf by Captain G. R. McClure, Royal Highlanders, and Lieutenant J. C. Craigie, Grenadier Guards, the old Varsity players; and athletics by Captain H. E. H. Blakeney, Royal Sussex Regiment, the army champion, and Lieutenant N. G. Chavasse, R.A.M.C., the old Oxford Blue.

Some famous oarsmen figure in the despatches, including Lieutenant E. W. Powell, Royal Flying Corps, the old Cambridge Blue; Lieutenant C. E. V. Baxton, R.F.A., who rowed for Cambridge a few years ago; Captain J. R. Somers-Smith, London Regiment, the old Oxford Blue; Captain J. A. Garrod, North Somerset Yeomanry, who rowed for Oxford; Captain F. E. Healy, another old Cambridge Blue, and Captain G. M. Darrell, Coldstream Guards, the well-known sculler.

Among other sportsmen mentioned in despatches are Colonel F. H. Nugent, Rifle Brigade; Colonel E. N. Tandy, R.A., and General Headquarters Staff; Captain E. J. T. Housden, R.E., the Cambridge gymnast; and Captain C. G. Darley, R.A., attached Royal Flying Corps, the old public schools boxer.

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THE BANK MEETING.

Even in normal times, the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank meeting is an event to which much importance and interest attaches, for it is regarded in Far Eastern commercial and financial circles as an occasion when stock is taken of the general situation in the Orient. Saturday's meeting, however, was invested with special significance, first of all from the fact that it marked the jubilee of the Corporation, and, secondly, because of the special war circumstances which made it inevitable that occasion would be taken to refer to British policy during the present crisis, in this quarter of the world, where international rivalry and competition in seizing trade openings are as keen as ever they were. So it came about that the speech of the Chairman of the Court of Directors, was unusually comprehensive and analytical, and we do not doubt that it has provided much food for reflection in many quarters.

As to the financial standing of the Bank, we have already shown, in the jubilee article which we published on Thursday last, on what a firm basis it rests, and nothing more need be said on that point save to observe that the remarkably satisfactory statement presented to the meeting is one, when we consider the unprecedented problems which have called for attention during the past year, upon which the management is to be highly complimented and with which shareholders must feel intensely satisfied. The very clear and well-reasoned analysis of international trade and finance, with special reference to the relative positions of the Allies and the enemy, was sufficient to indicate that the Bank officials have a finger on the pulse of world movements, and the facts which were quoted in regard to Japan served to emphasise the prominent position into which, by reason of the special circumstances prevailing, that nation was sprung. It was only natural that the unrest in China should also call for mention, but, with the situation as it at present is, very admirable discretion was shown in confining the reference to the hope that, whatever form of government is decided upon, there will be general acquiescence in the eventual settlement.

From certain standpoints, the feature of the speech delivered by the Chairman was the reference to the institutions which have been freely made to the effect that the Bank has been, and still is, susceptible to German influences. There can be no doubt that, in common with other British concerns in the Far East, the Germans were, before the war, given far too large a voice on the governing body of the Bank, but that is all past now: wisdom has been learned from experience. The sentiment expressed, that no German is ever likely to have a position on the Directorate of the Bank, or of any other British company in the Far East, is one which thoroughly represents British feeling at the moment, and our strong hope is that it will remain so for all time. The declared policy of the Bank is that of the British Government—"to protect and extend British interests in the East, at the expense, wherever possible, of the enemy." That policy must be consistently and rigorously followed out, not only for so long as the war lasts, but also when the German trader seeks to recover his lost ground—indeed, until he realises the hopelessness of ever again attaining to the position which we were foolish enough to concede him and which almost led to our undoing in Far Eastern markets.

The Salt Gobble.

We have many times had occasion to refer to the wonderfully great benefits which have accrued to China from the fact that she has placed the Salt Revenue Department under the control of Sir Richard Dane. Our observations were strikingly backed up at the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank meeting on Saturday, when it was shown that the net revenue derived from this source alone during last year amounted to no less a sum than sixty-nine million dollars, or more than ten million dollars beyond the figures for the previous twelve months. What this means to China is shown from the fact that after meeting special obligations which have been incurred, the Government was left with the huge sum of \$27,523,000 to apply to its own uses. That this happy result should be attained when, as at present, China is unable to borrow from outside sources, is especially fortunate, but, what is even more satisfactory still, is that this new source of revenue is a permanent and not a merely temporary one. Its creation and continuance not only reflect highly on the organising genius of Sir Richard Dane: the development is further proof of the inestimable advantages to be secured by placing big Departments of the State under the control and guidance of high-principled and scrupulously honest foreign experts. And the moral to China is obvious.

Chinese Railways.

Closely bearing on this issue was the further reference made to railway development—or the lack of it—in China. The view was expressed that it is doubtful if the internal resources of the country are at present equal to financing the important railways which still await construction and which are so essential for knitting the country together and developing its wealth and resources. The doubt was tempered with an expression of the possibility of this estimate being revised if the wealthier classes of Chinese could be brought to depart from their traditional disinclination to look askance at this class of investment. Past experience, however, points to the slenderness of such hopes, and the situation was no doubt correctly gauged in the remark that support from such quarters would be the exception rather than the rule. There can be no doubt that the prevailing attitude of the people of China towards their own officials, remains largely unaltered—doubt and distrust are still the factors which account for the unwillingness of people who have money to spare to place it at the disposal of the State. Unhappily there is justification for their extreme caution, and we fear very many years will elapse before other conditions prevail.

The Outlook.

In this matter it is not solely a question of lack of funds, for we have seen in the past how, when all the circumstances have been favourable, the rate of progress in China's railway undertakings have been laboriously slow. That has been so, first and foremost, because of the sinister influences of "queer" and, closely connected with the same evil, the glaring ineptitude and incompetence of many of the officials associated with these projects. The lesson would therefore appear to be that in matters of railway development China must continue to look to the West both for financial aid and for expert guidance. In regard to the former, the war has, unhappily, cut off foreign supplies, and the regrettable fact about it all is that this dearth of outside help must continue for an appreciable period of time after hostilities have actually ceased. The outlook, therefore, is scarcely hopeful at the moment, and all that can be done is to await with patience the dawn of brighter days.

Singapore's New Unofficial Member.

The Hon Mr. Charles Herbert Niven is appointed an Unofficial Member of the Singapore Legislative Council, subject to the approval of His Majesty the king.

DAY BY DAY

NEVER HAD ANY SUPPER TABLE A GREATER JUDAS SITTING AT IT THAN GERMANY.—T.P.O. Comment.

The Weather.
At the Peak 8 a.m. Temp. 56; clear.
Lower level 8 a.m. Temp. 63; clear.

The Mails.
American Mail.—Due per 8.30 Nippon Maru to-day.
Siberian Mail.—Closed per 8.30 Nankin at 11 a.m. to-day.
Canadian and Siberian Mails.—Close per 8.30 Kamokura Maru at 11 a.m. to-day.

The Dollar.
The rate of the dollar on demand to-day is 1/11 3/16.

To-morrow's Anniversary.
To-morrow is the 184th anniversary of the birth of George Washington.

Theft from Lieutenant.
The police have been informed by Lieut. C. A. Rase, that he has been the victim of two thefts of overcoats from the officers' mess at Lyemooon Barracks.

Cutting Shrubs.
A fine of \$3 or seven days was imposed in the case of a Chinese woman who was charged with cutting shrubbery in the plantations. Defendant denied the offence.

Chased by a cow.
As the result of being chased by one of her own cows, an old Chinese woman fell down and broke her arm. She has been taken to the Tung Wah hospital.

No License.
A rickshaw coolie was fined \$3 by Mr. Hazland at the Police Court this morning for plying for hire without a license. Inspector Sullivan pointed out that the license was only 25 cents.

A Cool Theft.
"I thought it was not wanted," said a Chinese to Mr. Hazland at the Police Court this morning when charged with stealing a blanket from the French Mail, Andre Leton. The case was adjourned until to-morrow.

Then and Now.
An interesting circumstance in connection with Saturday's meeting of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation was that that veteran resident of the Colony, Mr. Findlay Smith, was the only European present who also attended the meeting when the Bank was incorporated.

Large Haul of Opium.
At the Police Court this morning Inspector Gordon made application before Mr. Hazland for the confiscation of 2,045 lbs. of raw opium found on a Blue Funnel Steamer by the Chief Engineer. John McDonald, chief engineer, stated he found the opium yesterday concealed in the engine room and stokehold. It was not entered in the manifest. The order was made as requested.

Concealed Opium.
"She had the tins of opium concealed in a hand which she was wearing round her waist to hold up her trousers," said Inspector Kent at the Police Court this morning of a Chinese woman charged with having 9 tins of opium in her possession.—Mr. Hazland imposed a fine of \$800, or 3 months' imprisonment.

Two Armed Robberies.
A house at Lam E.K. Wai was ransacked yesterday by four men, one armed with a revolver, and three with choppers. Money and jewellery to the value of \$213.30 was stolen. Six people were in the house at the time.

At the Sun Wai Village, An Tan, on February 20, twelve men armed with revolvers committed an armed robbery stealing jewellery, clothing and money.

A Gamble and the Sequel.
Two Chinese men and two Chinese women were charged before Mr. Hazland at the Police Court this morning with gambling with dice and dominoes at No. 3, Yee On Terrace. All defendants denied having played. A Chinese constable stated he went to the house and there saw the door open so that anybody could walk in.—The first defendant was fined \$75, and the rest were fined \$3 the money taken at the table being confiscated.

THE SHAMENE.

Annual Meeting of Landrenters and Ratepayers.

The annual general meeting of landrenters and ratepayers of the British Concession, Shamene, was held at His Britannic Majesty's Consulate General on February 14 at 5 p.m. Those present were as follows, the figures showing the votes represented.—Messrs. E. C. C. Wilson, Acting British Consul-General, in the Chair, (14); J. H. Beer, (1); S. R. Brown, (3); O. W. Darch, (2); A. Darby, (4); O. Eager, (3); E. Eyles, (2); D. Forbes, (4); T. E. Griffith, (9); J. Hector, (1); A. V. Hogg, (3); P. R. Jessel, Acting Consul-General for United States of America, (1); H. S. Kavarana, (3); G. C. Kitching, (2); R. T. Matheson, (3); M. N. Mehta, (2); A. N. Ostroverkhov, Consul-General for Russia, (2); C. A. Peel, (1); G. L. Read, (2); Dr. W. G. Reynolds, (2); J. Robertson, (2); C. H. Shields, (6); H. S. Smith, (3); E. A. Stanton, (7); H. H. Sandeman, (1); H. Sutton, (1); E. M. Wood, (1).

The Chairman, having duly opened the meeting, invited observations on the report of the outgoing Council and on the accounts, both of which were already in the hands of all present.

Mr. Hogg, the outgoing Chairman, addressed the meeting on the annual statements issued by the Council devoting special attention to the headings of Health, Defence Corps and Water Works.

Mr. Griffith proposed the adoption of the report and accounts. Mr. Shields seconded; carried unanimously.

The New Council.
The Chairman declared the following gentlemen elected under Rule 12 of the Land Regulations to form the Council for 1916:—Messrs. O. Eager, Shewan, Tomes and Co.; A. V. Hogg, Beiss and Co.; G. C. Kitching, A. S. Watson and Co., Ltd.; C. H. Shields, Postal Commissioner (C.P.O.); H. Staples Smith, D. A. Con and Co., Ltd.

A New Bye-law.
Mr. Stanton proposed the adoption of the new bye-law 47 of which a draft has been circulated. Mr. Shields inquired upon whom it was intended that the penalty provided in paragraph 6 be levied on the tenant.

Mr. Shields thought some relaxation desirable, such as issue of special police permits enabling servants' relatives to stay with them one or two nights. Otherwise the rule would be hard to enforce.

Mr. Hogg said the aim was to prevent families and children of servants living on the island. The condition of the latter was often insanitary and such diseases as whooping cough and measles were traceable to their presence. A few surprise visits should suffice to ensure observance of the proposed rule.

Mr. Hogg explained that the object of the fine was not revenue but sanitation. They had now 60 or 70 European children on the Concession and the health of these was directly concerned. After further criticism from Messrs. Berruyer and Kitching, he proposed that the words "to be levied on the tenant concerned" be added to paragraph 6 and that the bye-law as amended be passed.

Mr. Griffith seconded and the bye-law, on a show of hands, was declared to have been carried by a majority.

The Waterworks.
Mr. Hogg proposed "That the incoming Council be authorised by this meeting to devise ways and means of establishing a fairer system of water taxation than that hitherto existing, i.e. 2 per cent. on assessments, and that should the Council decide on a 'per capita' tax, such not to exceed \$7.00 per capita per annum in lieu of the 2 per cent. assessment tax, the Council be authorised by this meeting so to act."

Mr. Stanton recommended the experiment of shutting off the water for certain hours daily to prevent waste, as was done elsewhere during water famines.

Mr. Griffith said the resolution left the Council free to try such if they chose, but that the consumption of water would be unaffected.

LANGKAT OUTPUT.

Messrs. Wright and Hornby advise us that the Langkat output for the current month is as follows:—

February	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	Total to 20th inst.
	222	203	198	203	194	183	181	190	187	144	144	152	143	149	210	211	204	188	203	196	3,673

Daily average 183.65

The Melbourne Race Week Programme.

A complete change of programme takes place to-night with the Melbourne, whose performances at the Victoria Theatre are already rendering these artists most popular. New songs, dances and concerted pieces are announced and Mr. and Miss Melbourne will be seen in two of their most successful productions: "The Sentry-box, the Soldier and the Maid" and "The Hongkong Suffragette." Other items are "If I win the Champion Sweepstake" and a new barbershop on the Quainta. This special race week programme should on no account be missed.

Mr. Stanton thought the question was one of waste. The Chairman said it was rather one of fair taxation.

Mr. Stanton thought the present water system good but too costly. Its initial cost had exceeded the estimate.

Mr. Shields thought water was still carried to the French Concession by servants.

Mr. Sutton stipulated that the per capita tax should take account of Chinese.

On a show of hands, Mr. Hogg's resolution was carried by a majority.

Standard Oil Co. Thanked.
Mr. Hogg proposed the thanks of the meeting to the Standard Oil Co. for assistance rendered during the floods.

The Chairman seconded. Carried unanimously.

A Sanitary Matter.
Mr. Ostroverkhov put forward a proposal for permission to place fish water closets in the new Russian Consular premises under construction, the water consumed to be paid for by meter.

Mr. Griffith explained that for the last 15 years the Council had neglected nothing to secure the best sanitary advice and had been led throughout to uphold the present system as the only sanitary one within the reach of its finance.

Messrs. Hogg, Kitching and Stanton and Dr. Reynolds strongly condemned the proposal, which failed to find a seconder and was withdrawn.

Proposed Nursing Home.
Mr. Hogg proposed that the Council should draw up and submit to a subsequent meeting a scheme for the establishment of a Nursing Home on Shamene. Mr. Griffith seconded and the meeting was unanimous in approval.

Retiring Committee Thanked.
Hearty thanks to the outgoing Committee were proposed by Mr. Stanton, seconded by Mr. Griffith, and passed with general acclamation.

Connaught Steps.
Mr. Shields drew attention to the congestion and immorality prevailing in the neighbourhood of the Connaught Steps.

Mr. Hogg said that the proper authorities were being approached on the subject.

Mr. Kavarana suggested that the occasion of the annual licensing of sampans might be turned to account in this connection.

The Chairman pointed out that Mr. Shields was a member of the new Council and would have opportunity to urge his views so that further discussion appeared unnecessary.

The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the Chairman.

NOTES ON THE CRISIS.

GERMANY STILL "SACRIFICING."

The Appeal to Ireland.

One of the few week-end wires that can be called interesting is that which deals with Mr. John Redmond's appeal to Ireland. Before we make ready to condemn the Irish leader and to accuse him of transparent opportunism as well as of want of tact, it would be well to remember that John Redmond understands the Irishman and that the average Englishman and Scot does not, and never will; and, further, that in face of all that has happened in the past, it is not unusual that the Irish troops should prefer to regard themselves as a separate whole, even as the Canadian, Australian and Indian contingents are regarded. If, by his method of approach, their political leader can swell their ranks by persuading the unrecruited to enlist—and he can—it is manifestly better that he should be left alone to do his own work in his own way. There is, however, no danger to-day of Ireland's services going unrewarded, as has too often been the case in former days. When the war is ended her sons will probably have little to complain of; and, in the meantime, whether the public approves or disapproves of Mr. Redmond's methods it is better that it should hold its tongue. We want more men from Ireland and Mr. Redmond is obviously the man to get them.

Worse and Worse.

Things really are not looking nice for Germany, and it is just possible that her people may be grasping that fact by now. The only shadow even of a temporary gain that she has been able to claim of late—her capture of trenches near Ypres—is explained away to everybody's satisfaction but her own, by the report of a correspondent at Headquarters. This report, which appeared in our Extra of yesterday, finishes with the very significant remarks: "Our artillery was concentrated on the tightly-packed Germans, with disastrous effect. The Germans are still sacrificing their men in a desperate effort to hold one slope of the ridge." This tail-end of the report well sums up Germany's method of fighting—when she does condescend to fight at all (which, as the subsequent history of the war will prove, has not been with any alarming frequency; poisoned gas, poisoned wells and poisoned news suiting her a great deal better). When she fights it must absolutely be on the bluff principle. She must seek to bear her adversaries down by sheer weight of numbers and it seems as though she would go on to the end still believing that she is really doing something when the sacrifices of her men by the thousands to machine-gun or rifle bullets.

In Other Fields.

Cologne Gazette comes forward with an explanation of the fall of Erzerum which is only interesting in so far as it is an admission that that stronghold has fallen. The enemy press was quite capable of proving that Russia had once more been "crippled" and the Turks victorious. Turkey maintains a dignified silence on the subject. We wonder if her people know anything about it. From the Balkans we still hear little or nothing, beyond the interesting facts that bombs have been effectively dropped on the Bulgarian camp at Strumitza and that a German aeroplane has been captured near Salonica. In Africa affairs look even a little less comfortable for Germany than they did before. The Cameroons business is settled and a further little step towards the adjustment of matters on the other coast has been taken by the capture of an enemy gunboat on Tsingnyika. Do the people in Germany still believe that their colonies are intact, their warships supreme in all oceans, and Hongkong in hourly danger of being captured?

SPECIAL CABLE.

GERMANS ARRESTED OFF WOOSUNG.

TAKEN ON BOARD OF BRITISH WARSHIP.

(From Our Own Correspondent).

February 20, 10.50 p.m.
A British auxiliary cruiser stopped the steamer China outside of Woosung on Friday, and removed thirty-eight Germans of military age. Many of these were interned here, and went out to the vessel on a special launch, having previously booked and then cancelled their passages.

JOTTINGS BY THE WAY.

There is no disputing the fact that there is something aristocratic in the very air of Hongkong. One of our coolies who delivers in the Peak district now invariably carries a walking-stick with him.

A Home paper complains that scavengers are scarce in London. We wish this Colony suffered from the same shortage, since its scavenging staff is principally noted for the amount of filth which it leaves on the pavements, and for its assiduity in sweeping the roads at midday, according to dilute their work with waster.

The N. C. Daily News delivers its soul on the subject of "The Future of Chinese Medicine." If the decision lay with us, very effective steps would be taken to prevent much of that medicine from having even a present—leave alone a future.

"Are We Feeding the German?" asks a Tientsin contemporary. If we're not, somebody is; at any rate it's clear enough, from their own admissions recently, that they're not only fed, but fed-up.

The House of Commons has been discussing the hygienic virtues of claret as a drink for our soldiers. As long as Tommy remains in the country of the grape and continues to cultivate a taste for wine, we venture to prophesy that he will order his going without reference to the House of Commons. How would it be if the House, quite by way of a change, elected to discuss something that really matters?

"The Belgian officers tried to kiss the British commander when he landed, and a thousand natives performed a war dance." But Reuter steps there, and doesn't trust himself to tell us how the commander received the secular overtures or in what terms the attendant bluejackets commented on the war dance.

Says a contemporary: "Try to induce the children to eat at least one apple a day."—In the days of our childhood the only "inducement" that we required to the eating of at least a couple of dozen, was that, in addition to their being hard and green and sour, they should have been procured from somebody else's tree, at the risk of limb, life and a good hiding.

The Observer gives us: "One of the drugs that has been popular throughout the centuries is castor oil."—Among what people, in Heaven's name?

"Another Million Som Coming" says the cover of the latest John Bull. But, when "b.o.s." and patriotism become intermingled, it is not quite easy to discover whether the million relates to recruits or to new subscribers.

"The German Association for Asiatic History has established a Fund for the geographical exploration of the Province of Shansi. The plans are already prepared but the execution must be postponed on account of the war." Thus says an Ostasiatische Lloyd cable. This is only a little less funny than our cultured friend's sending his missionaries to convert the Chinese "savages". But we hope the promoters of this learned society will keep a sharp eye on those funds while the Crown-Prince is losing round.

FROM THE PULPIT.

Precautionary Religion.

Notes of a sermon preached by the Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald at the Union Church yesterday morning.—

Text, Heb. 11/26. "The pleasures of sin for a season." The transitory nature of the satisfactions of transgression must be about the tritest of all themes. It has been impressed on us all by innumerable voices from our youth up, that the joys of the ill-doer are short-lived. Time, we are told, never fails to turn the tables upon him, and eternity might be thought to have no other purpose than to be the scene of postponed rewards of righteousness and wrong-doing according to their kinds. Conventionally the "broad road" is pictured as a path of roses to begin with, but losing itself in the ultimate darkness. Dramatised we have Faust bargaining for a period of power and pleasure, and in the end his forfeited soul hurried to the palpable abyss amid a chorus of demons. Closer to frequent fact we have the story of the self-willed simpleton coming to grief and shame in the "far country" after his term of waste and indulgence. How true it all is in the main many know to their sorrow: there is nothing of which men can make more certain than that their sins will find them out. But supposing it were otherwise, what then? Would sin cease to be a sin if it ceased to bring painful consequences? If its pleasures were not transitory would the thing cease to be wrong? Suppose the man in the far country had never come to want. Suppose no famine had arisen, no necessity to feed wine. Suppose him with the purse of Fortunatus and a physical constitution immune from the common results of riotous living. His behaviour toward home and father would have remained just what it was. The want and shame brought him to see his error, but they did not constitute the error. And so when he goes back you do not find him saying, "Father I have been a fool to throw away my chances and bring myself to this," though it would have been perfectly true. What he says is, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and in thy sight, and I am no more worthy to be called thy son." The outraged relationship, the despised birthright, it is these he thinks of. Sin is the dropping of an ideal, consequences or no consequences. It is the failure to seek the best happiness or no happiness. It is the neglect of the first commandment, that we love the Lord our God, whether the neglect is followed by sorrow and misery, or whether it should raise you, as it very well may, to influence and influence in this world. "He that soweth to the flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption." So it is written, and we know the writing is true. Men are always at work trying to counterwork that law. The resources of medical knowledge, for instance, are enlisted to the utmost, hopes are constantly being held out of ways and means of eluding the physical penalties of sensuality. These expectations have proved strangely illusory so far, but suppose they were fulfilled. "Sowing to the flesh" would still remain what it is—a choice of the lower when the higher lay open, the preference of the animal to the spiritual nature, an effort to deface the Divine image in which man is made. We are shocked by the spectacle of physical decay, and well we may be. Young men are exhorted to listen to the athletic trainer or examination coach if they are

deaf to the Sander preacher. It is good advice. But still if all these facts were otherwise we should not therefore escape the harvest of corruption. Corruption would still eat into character, indeed it would bite all the deeper, for what are disease and pain on one side of them but signals, warning, brakes upon the path which would still be downward were it roses all the way, with an Olympian banquet at the end of it instead of dust and ashes. Sin does not consist in losing paradise but in losing one's fitness for paradise. We often over-emphasise what one must call the merely precautionary view of religion, the view which presents it chiefly as a means of averting deplorable consequences. This is common on the part of the secular powers that be, who think even of Christianity mainly as a sort of moral police department, and patronise the Church as a useful agency for promoting contentment and preserving order. Nothing makes one chafe as a minister of Christ, than seeing important persons taking religion under their wing as likely to be useful among the common people. Again there are the middle-aged folks who pass the thing on to the young. They have outgrown their own early temptations, possibly because incapable of some of their early sins, but they consider that, say, Church life and connections are salutary safeguards for their juniors. Their notion of Christian institutions is not as a means of imparting inspiration, but only of putting on a brake. With all this there has arisen a common type of life which while perfectly reputable is essentially irreligious. People see no serious dangers ahead arising out of their way of life. The evangelist's pictures of awful consequences leave them unmoved. They think of the gospel as an excellent thing to take to the slums or may be to the savages, but in much the same way as they of a temperance pledge, useful for those who cannot do without it. There is just enough perverted truth in all that to make it dangerous. Our Lord recognised it when He spoke, as He did remarkably often, about His not calling the righteous but sinners. Similarly we find St. Paul telling his countrymen that seeing they judged themselves unworthy of eternal life he would go to the Gentiles. That is what we do if we set religion aside because we are not conscious of needing to be snatched like brands from the burning—judge ourselves unworthy of the best, reject the ideal, neglect the great commandment. Many people lead fairly refined and quite reputable lives which are essentially godless, in the literal sense of the word, which does not mean riotous living. Their case is not in the least like that of Faust, or the prodigal, or the giddy moth around the candle, or the heedless gamester, or any of the customary types of short lived pleasure seeking. As they are now so they may go on indefinitely, continuing to get out of life pretty much what they now are getting. The only thing amiss with their scheme is that God is left out of it. Conscious of no obvious peril from which they need deliverance, bitten by no morbid sorrows which call for consolation, they feel no need for having God within their knowledge, because God in their idea is the symbol for what is cautionary and consolatory, and very little more. God is the Inspirer, Who summons to noble duty, as the Father, to Whom consciously rendered love and service are owing, is outside their thoughts. So they miss the best of things, whilst wonderfully satisfied with themselves and their lot. Religion is an attitude of the soul, reverent, loving, obedient. It is the pursuit of an ideal, always beyond yet indefinitely approachable. It is the following of Jesus Christ, in Whom it is all summed up and brought near to us in heart and conscience and practical zeal for His Kingdom in the world. The real question in religion which we have ultimately to deal with is not, as many seem to suppose, what is the minimum which will suffice to save us from temporal or even eternal shipwreck, but what is the maximum degree in which we can lay hold of Divine grace to become sons and daughters of the Heavenly Father in Christ His beloved Son.

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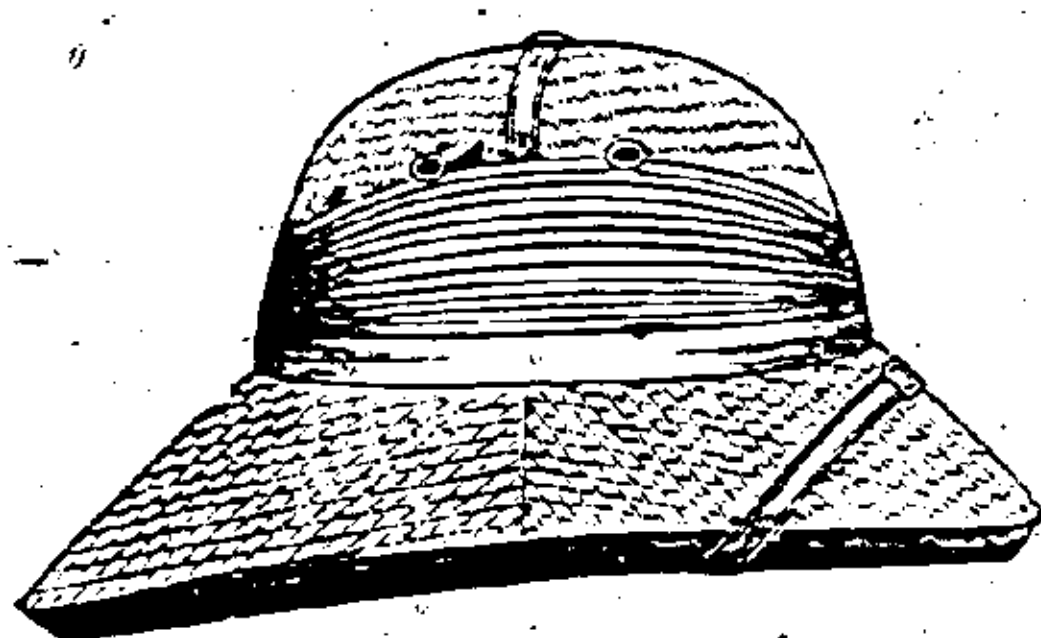
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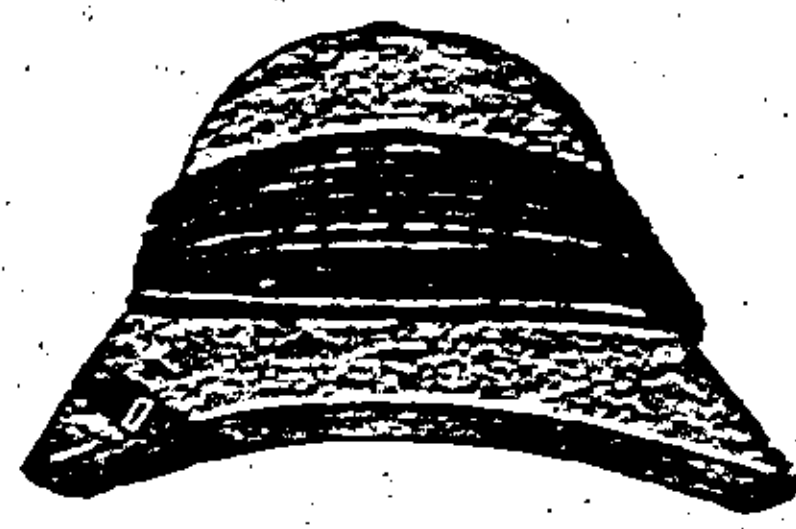
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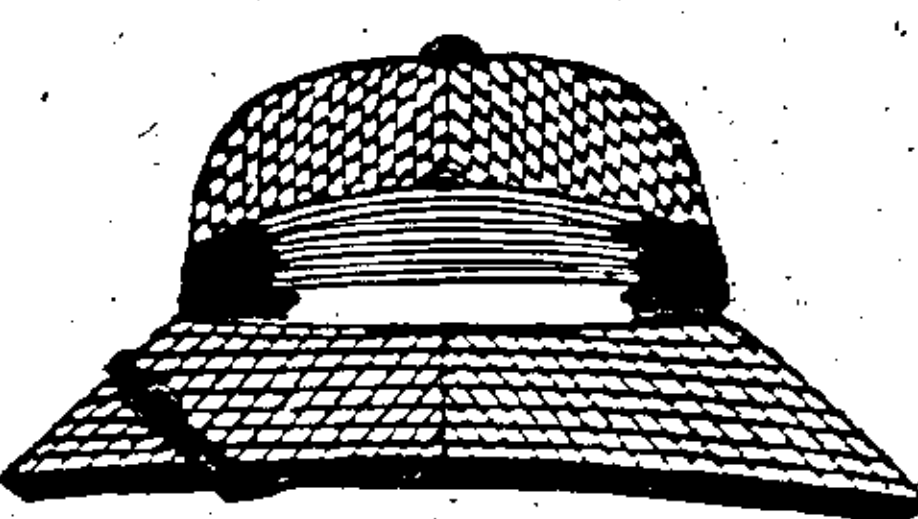
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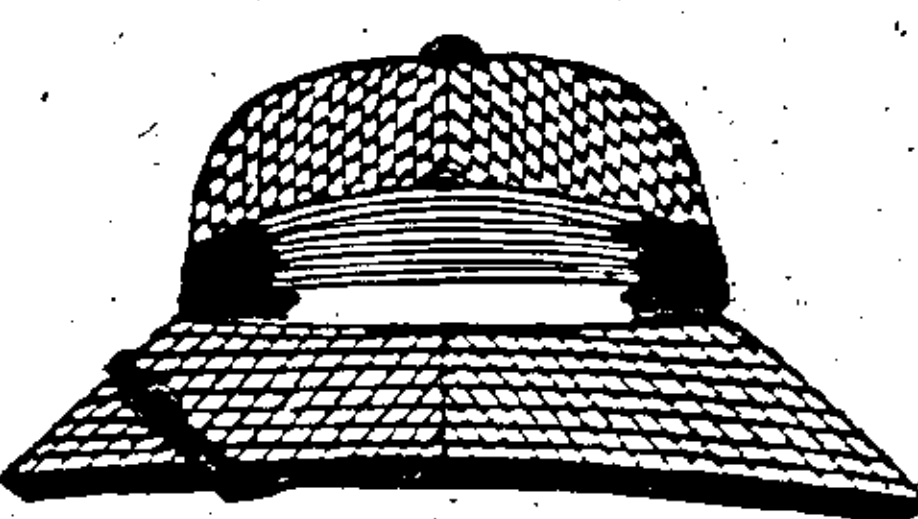
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VICTORIA, B.C. and SEATTLE via Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Yokohama	Kamakura Maru Capt. Higo Famba Maru Capt. Nagasawa	T. 12,500 TUES. 22nd Feb. at noon. T. 12,500 TUES. 7th Mar. at noon.
SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila, Thiruvananthapuram, Townsville and Brisbane	Tango Maru Capt. Soreja Nikko Maru Capt. Takeda	T. 11,500 TUES. 14th Mar. at 4 p.m. T. 9,500 FRI. 14th Apr. at 4 p.m.
CALCUTTA via Spore, Penang & Rangoon	Tosa Maru Capt. Takano	T. 10,000 SATURDAY, 4th March
BOMBAY via Singapore, Malacca and Colombo	Kirin Maru Capt. Sasaki	T. 8,000 WEDNESDAY, 23rd Feb.
SHANGHAI, Moji and Kobe	Penang Maru Capt. Kusibiki	T. 8,000 SUNDAY, 27th Feb.
SHANGHAI, Kobe and Yokohama	Ceylon Maru Capt. Fujino	T. 8,000 MONDAY, 28th Feb.
NAGASAKI, Kobe and Yokohama	Nikko Maru Capt. Takaki	T. 9,500 MON. 9th Mar. at 10 a.m.
SHANGHAI, Kobe and Yokohama	Miyazaki Maru Capt. Tanaka Kikano Maru Capt. Ope	T. 8,000 TUES. 24th Feb. at 10 a.m. T. 16,000 FRI. 25th Feb. at 10 a.m.

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Shinyo Maru	22,000 - 21 knots	14th Mar. at noon.
Chiyo Maru	22,000 - 21 knots	18th Apr. at noon.
Persia Maru	9,000 - 15 knots	21st Apr. at 10.30 a.m.
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SHANGHAI	Anhui	22nd Feb. at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	Sinkiang	24th Feb. at 4 p.m.
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Tjilatjap	KOBÉ	22nd Feb.	24th Feb.	BATAVIA
Tjilatjap	BATAVIA	24th Feb.	26th Feb.	SHANGHAI
Tjilatjap	MAKASSAR	26th Feb.	4th Mar.	KOBÉ

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KOBÉ & MOJI	Kumsang	Wed. 23rd Feb. at 4 p.m.
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MANILA	Loongsang	Sat. 26th Feb. at 3 p.m.
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The launching took place recently from the Goshima Works of a Chinese steamer constructed to the order of the Chinese Co., Chefoo. She has been christened the Hsinlee, and has a gross tonnage of 1,250 and is the first steamer built in Japan to the order of a client other than Japanese.

The Atsuta Maru Ashore.
Says the Japan Chronicle of February 2.—The N.Y.K. European liner Atsuta Maru, 2,973 tons, which left Kobe on Monday at noon, ran ashore at seven o'clock yesterday morning at a spot known as Ganyu Jim, near Moji, in a dense fog. As soon as the accident was reported to the shore, the salvage ship Sakigake Maru and several launches were sent out to her assistance, but owing to the ebb-tide the liner could not be floated. All the passengers, including 43 first class and 17 second-class, have been landed to lighten the ship, which was refloated at last night's high tide.

Flight of Steamer Freight.
In parallel with shortage of vessels the steamer freight has kept on the rise. According to the latest freight quotations between Cardiff and Port Said states the Manchurian Daily News, the rate on coal between the two ports, which used to be taken as the criterion of European steamer freight, has now risen from the ante-bellum rate of 10s. to 34s. per ton. The price of coal has also risen, and Japan coal, which is quoted at about ¥13 per ton, is reported to fly off on the wing at 50s. at ¥100 per ton. Notwithstanding a congestion of goods is now experienced at every trading port, owing to the hold "famine."

Fushun Coal Markets.
The markets of Fushun coal transportable by railway extend in Korea as far south as Seoul, on the south-west to near Shanhai-kwan, and on the north up to the zone from Taishan on the west eastward to Harbin and northward to Blagovestchensk. In Korea, Fushun coal comes into competition with Japanese coal and in the direction of Shanhai-kwan with Kaiping coal. In North Manchuria it meets with no rival worth mentioning, and much may be expected from that quarter. Especially as the ships' freight have gone up to an almost prohibitive height, the exploitation of the North Manchurian markets will warrant the exercise of particular effort. We hear, says the Manchuria Daily News, that the S.M.R. Co. management intends to avail itself of the present opportunity to distribute plenty of stocks to the various depots.

The Tonnage Question.
The question of the increase of available tonnage is problematic, particularly as regards the date by which this can be accomplished, remarks the Shipping and Mercantile Gazette. The statement was vague and indefinite. Whence are the ships to come? If ships can be released, why are they not released, without questions having to be asked in Parliament? What series of happenings will be likely to release them? If existing ships are not available, are we to obtain the increase by completing tonnage on hand? Shipbuilders, free to complete, are beginning to regard their position with mixed feelings, and it is understood that, now that war conditions and war prices and wages rule, they will ask Government aid. Since Mr. Balfour's authoritative statement that work on merchant ships should be treated as war work—and that facilities would be granted as regard the supply of the necessary material of course naturally followed—a strong feeling has obtained among shipbuilders that their case should be more generally considered. Called upon by the State to break their agreements with their clients, it is now becoming a question with shipbuilders whether contracts made before the war under peace conditions can be binding if the State does come in and give financial aid.

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JOCKEY CLUB RACES.

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THE RECORD FOR ONE MILE BROKEN.

Hongkong's great annual racing festival, held under the auspices of the Hongkong Jockey Club, open at the picturesque Racecourse, Happy Valley, this morning. For the past few weeks, trainers and owners have concentrated all their energies on the work of developing the resources and capitalizing the large number of ponies drawn together for the Meeting, and, with the improvement recorded during the course of the early morning trials, public interest has correspondingly grown. Despite the fact that the war has made necessary substantial reductions in the value of the stakes offered in many of the events, this year's entry is abnormally high. In all there are no fewer than 397 entries, represented by 104 ponies and owned by 39 different stables. So far as actual entries go, this year's total is 246 in excess of the figure for 1915. Sir Paul Chater leads the way with the largest stable, having entered no fewer than 15 ponies. He is closely followed by "Mr. John Peel," who is represented by 13 mounts, Mr. Ellis Kadoorie coming next with seven. The principle owners among the remainder are Mr. H. P. White with six nominations, Mr. Cro with the same number and Mr. Dynasty with five. Messrs. H. P. White and Ellis Kadoorie also jointly own one pony, while His Excellency the Governor ("Mr. Tserco") has entered three. The fact that, in spite of the decreased amount of prize money, there is an unusually heavy entry for the Meeting is eloquent proof that owners are actuated by true sporting motives rather than by any considerations of financial gain.

The officials, owners and jockeys were early astir on the course this morning, completing the final arrangements and seeing to the ponies, so that long before the beginning of the programme, the venue presented a busy and animated appearance. Mr. T. A. Hough, the genial and enthusiastic Clerk of the Course, was, as usual, a prominent figure in his scarlet coat and silk hat, and he supervised the routine work in a manner born of long experience at the Course. He has been Clerk of the Course at the Hongkong Racecourse since 1899, and, never missing a year, well prior to that date he for many years filled a similar position at Shanghai. His efforts were ably seconded by the other officials, who, as usual, threw their whole hearts into their many duties. There were several changes in the official ranks this year, the most noticeable being that Mr. F. B. Marshall is taking the responsible post of Judge. He is a well-known and keen follower of turf matters and will be remembered as the owner of the "Tee" stable, which, in days past, has secured many high honours in Hongkong racing. As usual, most of the crack jockeys from the North are here again this year, while a newcomer with a high reputation is Mr. Stewart.

The early morning opened rather muggy and overcast, but long before the first saddling-bell was sounded, the sun had come through, and the atmosphere was clear and warm—just ideal for the comfort of spectators. The turf was distinctly on the fast side, a heavy dew having fallen overnight, and in this respect everything pointed to the likelihood of past records being broken. In fact, during one or two final gallops in the early morning, the last of the early morning gallops was easily negotiated in 38 seconds. A moderately strong breeze blew down the course, tempering the atmosphere somewhat and being distinctly favourable to the ponies in the race home.

The tracks and stands were, as usual, heavily decorated in flags and bunting; the Jockey Club stands as well as those of private owners presenting an especially striking appearance.

As in former years, great assistance was lent by the various military units stationed in the Colony. The pari-mutuel arrangements were in charge of the Army Pay Department under the direction of Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews. Various other duties were discharged by men from the Shropshires, Royal Garrison Artillery, Royal Engineers, Ordinance Department, and R.A.M.C.

Some couple of hours before the commencement of racing, a large and cosmopolitan crowd began to wend its way towards the Valley, some walking, others proceeding by tramcar and ricksha, while motor-cars were also much in evidence. As time drew on, the stream of humanity grew in dimensions until by noon, the attendance was gratifyingly large. As usual, the Chinese were much in evidence in the centre of the course, while the paddock and private stands soon presented an animated appearance. The Tramway Company ran an accelerated service under the control of Mr. A. Crose, traffic manager, while the police arrangements were ably superintended by Chief Inspector Kerr.

His Excellency the Governor (Sir Henry May, K.C.M.G.) arrived just before 11.30 o'clock being accompanied by Miss May, and was met at the entrance by the Hon. Mr. D. Lundale. Mr. Kremer was the first to weigh in his mount being Mr. Triclor's Bomo, while he was closely followed by Mr. Byrd, who rode Mr. John Peel's Tum. The first race brought out no fewer than fourteen ponies; and the honour of securing the first win fell to Vids on Mr. Es's Speckles—a race won by sheer good jockeyship.

The second race brought Sir Paul's first win, Borkill cleverly steering Windsor Dahlia to victory, beating Adventure by half a length after the latter had led the way till nearly home. At the conclusion of this race, the Judge withheld his decision for a time, as the while flag at the starting point was at half-mast; this being the starter's signal for a recall of the ponies. The fact that the flag was at half-mast, however, was a mishap, and the starter and jockeys alike were satisfied at the way in which the ponies were dispatched.

Sir Paul had two nominations in the Victoria Stakes, and Vids brought the stable a second victory by his judicious riding of Triumphant Dahlia. The time—2 min. 02.2/5 sec.—was a record for the mile, the previous record being that established in 1911 by Lualaba Bomo—2 min. 02.2/5 sec.

The Valley Stakes (the last race before the tiffin-hour) provided a surprise, Mr. Sares' Mandolins beating the favourite, Crooby (Johnstone up) with comparative ease. Commence was the rider, and he and the owner were given a warm ovation when the winner was let in. This pony paid out \$54.90 to winning backers and \$14.20 for a place.

Just before tiffin, the weather became rather overcast and the hills were obscured in fog, but happily rain let off, though it still threatened. The attendance in the enclosure up to this time was not as large as is usually the case.

A diverting incident occurred, when, prior to the start of the fourth race, Birdwood, bolted when being led into the stable. He ran on to the tram-lines outside the track, where he was eventually captured after delaying the next race for several minutes.

Mr. Knoll, a well known local jockey, was a notable absentee, and we understand that he will not be seen on the course during this meeting.

After tiffin a slight rain began to fall, but did not seriously in-

convenience either the spectators or the jockeys.

Mr. John Peel's stable obtained its first win in the Fochow Cup, Mr. Johnstone bringing Sandway home just managing to beat Australian Chief.

The full list of officials is as follows:—
Stewards.—His Excellency Sir F. H. May, K.C.M.G., His Excellency Major-General F. Ventris, Rear-Admiral R. H. Anstruther, R.N., C.M.G., the Hon. Mr. Claud Severn, the Hon. Sir C. Paul Chater, Kt., C.M.G., His Honour Sir W. Ross Davies, Kt., Mr. G. K. Hall Bratton, Lieut.-Colonel H. W. Lee, C.B.A., Mr. H. J. Gedge, Mr. Henry Humphreys, the Hon. Mr. David Landale, Messrs. G. H. Potts, N. J. Sabb, and E. P. White.

Stewards in Charge of the Scale.—The Hon. Mr. D. Landale, Mr. H. P. White.

Handicapper.—Mr. Geo. K. Hall Bratton.

Judge.—Mr. E. B. Marshall.

Assistant Judge.—Mr. D. M. Ross.

Paddock.—Lieut.-Col. H. W. Lee, C.B.A.

Starter.—Mr. H. J. Gedge.

Second Starter.—Mr. Paul M. Edgson.

Time Keeper.—Mr. M. S. Sassoon.

Honorary Treasurer.—Mr. H. C. Sandford.

Clerk of the Course.—Mr. T. F. Hough.

Music was discoursed by the popular band of the 74th Panchi, whose selections (under Bandmaster J. W. Christian) were greatly enjoyed. The full band programme for to-day was as follows:—

Morning.

1. March, "Light Cavalry," Starke.

2. Gavotte, "Hearts and Flowers," Tobani.

3. Selection, "The Quaker Girl," Monckton.

4. Valse, "Weaver Melin," Zehrer.

5. Two Step, "Chicken Reel," Daly.

Afternoon.

1. March, "Chants des Soldats," Engleman.

2. Gavotte, "Plymouth Hoe," Ansell.

3. Selection, "The Quaker Girl," Monckton.

4. Ballet Music, "Coppelia," Delibes.

5. Military Valse, "For Valour," Ancliffe.

6. Two Step, "My Little Girl," Christian.

7. Selection, "Merrie England," German.

8. Romance, "Reveil d'Amour," Robertson.

9. Valse, "Gipsy Life," Lillian.

10. Oriental Interlude, "Katchee Moe," Lilian Raymond.

"Go! Save the King."

1. The "Wong-Nai Chong Stakes"—Winner \$500. Second \$200. Third \$100. For China Ponies, Subscription Grifflins of any Season on winners. Weight for inches as per scale. Jockeys who have never had a winning mount in Hongkong, Shanghai or Tientsin allowed 5 lb. Entrance \$5.

Mr. Es's Speckles, 11st. 11b. (Mr. Vids) 1

Mr. Sleg's Starboard Light, 11st. 11b. (Mr. Moller) 2

Mr. B. D. F. Beith's C37, 10st. 12b. (Mr. Johnstone) 3

Mr. Triclor's Bomo, 10st. 12b. (Mr. Kremer) 4

Mr. John Peel's Tum, 10st. 12b. (Mr. Byrd) 5

Messrs. Thomas and Sedgwick's Harry Hawks, 10st. 12b. (Mr. Sedgwick) 6

Mr. A. B. Lowe's Askill, 10st. 12b. (Mr. Barton) 7

Mr. Dynasty's King Hal, 11st. 4lb (Mr. Heard) 8

Mr. Billards' In off, 11st. 2lb (Mr. Gage) 9

Mr. Apcar's White Eagle, 11st. 1lb (Mr. S. A. Seth) 10

Major Nathan's Distant, 11st. 1lb. (Mr. Commons) 11

Mr. Ellis Kadoorie's Baroda Chief, 11st. 11b. (Mr. Stewart) 12

Mr. A. L. Toodey, 11st. 11b. (Mr. H. Seth) 13

Dr. Forsyth's Zepp, 11st. 12b. (Mr. Hough) 14

Off at 12.05. Owing to the large field, there was some difficulty in getting the ponies away and a false start was made. In off the start, King Hal broke away, followed by Speckles. C37 soon took the lead, with Speckles pressing hard, and was still making the running as the

ponies passed the village. On coming into the straight, the ponies bunched together and Speckles came up strong and after a neck and neck struggle wrestled the lead from C. 37. Starboard Light, ridden hard by Moller, came through into second place, Johnstone's mount being third half a length away. Speckles won by a head.

Time:—1 min. 0.4/5 sec.

Pari-mutuel.—
Winner, \$10.30.

Places, \$ 5.60; \$8.00; \$7.20.

Cash Sweep.—
Ticket No. 3 1st \$753.37

2nd 2nd 215.25

100 3rd 167.62

Commission 153.76

Total.....\$1,230.76

2.—The Maiden Stakes.—Winner \$500. Second \$200. Third \$100. For China Ponies, Subscription Grifflins of this Season 1915-1916 allowed 7 lb. Entrance \$10. Three quarters of a mile.

Mr. Paul's Windsor Dahlia, 11st. 11b. (Mr. Borkill) 1

Mr. Mase's Adventure, 10st. 12b. (Mr. H. Seth) 2

Mr. Ellis Kadoorie's Pingwu Chief, 10st. 12b. (Mr. Stewart) 3

Mr. H. P. White's Oddfellow, 10st. 12b. (Mr. Byrd) 4

Mr. Cro's Moonlight, 11st. 4lb (Mr. Moller) 5

Mr. Adam's Birdwood, 10st. 12b. (Mr. M. T. Johnston) 6

Mr. Dynasty's King Alec, 11st. 1lb (Mr. Heard) 7

Mr. John Peel's Little Jack Horner, 10st. 9lb (Mr. Johnstone) 8

Off at 12.37. A somewhat delayed start but the ponies eventually got going. Windsor Dahlia took the lead, being closely followed by King Alec and Pingwu Chief. Adventure joined the trio going up the incline and took the lead, with Windsor Dahlia and King Alec racing together for second place, with the Chief close up. Adventure slightly increased his lead, but was soon being overhauled by King Alec, Windsor Dahlia falling slightly back in close company with the Chief. Coming into the straight, it was a very keen race between King Alec, the Dahlia and Adventure, the latter slightly leading. Windsor Dahlia came through in fine style and won by half a length from Adventure. Pingwu Chief was half a length behind Adventure.

Time:—1 min. 31.4/5 sec.

Pari-mutuel.—
Winner, \$11.90.

Places, \$5.10; \$5.10; \$5.10.

Cash Sweep.—
Ticket No. 35 1st \$958.55

130 2nd 278.87

170 3rd 138.93

Commission 198.65

Total.....\$1,565.00

3.—The Victoria Stakes.—Winner \$500. Second \$200. Third \$100. For China Ponies, Subscription Grifflins of any Season on winners. Weight for inches as per scale. Jockeys who have never had a winning mount in Hongkong, Shanghai or Tientsin allowed 5 lb. Entrance \$10. One mile and a half.

Mr. John Peel's Sandway, 15st. 9lb. (Mr. J. Johnstone) 1

Mr. Kadoorie's Australian Chief, 15st. 9lb. (Mr. Stewart) 2

Mr. Paul's Standard Dahlia, 15st. 9lb. (Mr. Borkill) 3

Mr. Triclor's Bayonet, 15st. 9lb. (Mr. Kramer) 4

Mr. Nemaze's Shabazz, 15st. 9lb. (Mr. S. A. Seth) 5

Mr. Moonraker's Maybey, 15st. 9lb. (Mr. H. Seth) 6

Doctor Forsyth's Lorenzo, 15st. 9lb. (Mr. Hough) 7

Standard Dahlia got away right at the start, being closely followed by the Chief. Going up the incline Shabazz took a comfortable lead, otherwise the order was the same. At the village bend Shabazz, the Chief and Maybey were all close together. Passing the Judge's box for the first time the order was Shabazz, Standard Dahlia and Australian Chief. This order was maintained till the footfall ground was reached when Shabazz slightly increased his lead. At the village bend Australian Chief came into second place, Standard Dahlia now coming up. In the straight Borkill's lead led to a close race between Standard Dahlia and Borkill. A neck and neck race finished with Sandway winning by a head, Australian Chief being a few lengths in front of Standard Dahlia who occupied third position. Time three minutes 12.2/5 sec.

Time:—1 min. 34.1-5 sec.

Pari-mutuel.—
Winner, \$54.90.

Places, \$14.20; \$6.20; \$15.30.

Cash Sweep.—
Ticket No. 110 1st \$1,442.43

459 2nd 412.12

388 3rd 206.06

Commission 224.39

Total.....\$2,355.00

5.—The Fochow Cup.—Winner \$500. Second \$200. Third \$100. Handicap for all China Ponies that have run at any previous official or Gymkhana Meeting. Jockeys who have never had a winning mount in Hongkong, Shanghai or Tientsin allowed 5 lb. Entrance \$10. One mile and a half.

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Time 2 min. 2.3/5 sec.

Pari-mutuel.—
Winner, \$6.90.

Places, \$5.10; \$5.40; \$5.80.

Cash Sweep.—
Ticket No. 275 1st \$1,208.68

370 2nd 345.62

319 3rd 172.81

Commission 246.89

Total.....\$1,975.00

4.—The Valley Stakes.—Winner \$500. Second \$200. Third \$100. For China Ponies, Subscription Grifflins of this Season 1915-1916 allowed 7 lb. Entrance \$10. Three quarters of a mile.

Mr. Sares' Mandolins, 11st. 11b. (Mr. Commons) 1

Mr. Humphrey's Crooby, 11st. 11b. (Mr. J. Johnstone) 2

Mr. Sleg's Parlight, 11st. 4lb. (Mr. Moller) 3

Mr. Charles' Ally, 11st. 11b. (Mr. Heard) 4

Messrs. White and E. Kadoorie's, 11st. 11b. (Mr. Stewart) 5

Mr. Humphrey's Laddolent, 10st. 12b. (Mr. Byrd) 6

Mr. Nemaze's Shabazz, 10st. 12b. (Mr. H. Seth) 7

Mr. Melico's Garlanda, 10st. 12b. (Mr. Borkill) 8

Sir Paul's Blackdiamond Dahlia, 10st. 9lb. (Mr. Vids) 9

Mr. Wayloong's L. zrus, 11st. 1lb. (Mr. Sedgwick) 10

Off at 1.42 p.m. A false start, Blackdiamond Dahlia getting away. On the start proper Lenzus was the first to get away, with Crooby following very close up. Going up the incline, there was a close field, Ally and Crooby being close together in the front. Passing the rock, Mandolins led with Crooby second. This order was maintained as the prizes rounded the village bend. On entering the straight, Parlight came up on the outside, and four ponies came racing home all abreast. Sprinting well, Mandolins won easily by a full length—with Crooby and Parlight fighting for second place. Crooby got the better of the tussle for second place half a length.

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6.—The Trial Plate.—Winner \$500. Second \$200. Third \$100. For China Ponies, Subscription

PUBLIC AUCTIONS.

GEO. P. LAMMERT.

AUCTIONEER, SHARE & GENERAL BROKER.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction on

FRIDAY,

the 25th February 1916 commencing at 2.30 p.m. at No. 10, Stewart Terrace, The Peak.

A Large Quantity of Valuable Household Furniture and

1 Cottage piano by Rosenthal & Co. Full particulars from catalogue. On view from Thursday the 24th inst.

Terms: Cash on delivery. GEO. P. LAMMERT, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 17th February, 1916.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from the liquidators of Messrs. Wm. Meyerink & Co. to sell by Public Auction on

FRIDAY,

the 25th February, 1916 commencing at 11 a.m. at No. 1 Des Voeux Road Central (Princes Building).

A Large Quantity of Office Furniture comprising—

Teak showcases, bookcases, cupboards, desks and tables, chairs, electric ceiling and desk fans, electric fittings, platform scales.

Also 4 Smith Premier Typewriters, 1 Drilling machine, 1 Small Steel Safe, and 1 Large Steel Fireproof Safe.

On view from Thursday the 24th inst.

Catalogues will be issued. Terms: Cash on delivery. GEO. P. LAMMERT, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 17th February, 1916.

NOTICES.

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WISEMAN, LTD.

IN ORDER to meet the wishes of our Customers who will be attending the RACE MEETING, we are serving a hot and cold buffet at the Cafe, from 11 a.m. on MONDAY, TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY. SPECIAL MENU \$1.00 per head or a la Carte. Hongkong, 17th February, 1916.

NOTICE

DIOCESAN SCHOOL AND ORPHANAGE.

School duties will be resumed on Thursday morning 24th inst. For Terms for boarders or day scholars apply to The HEADMASTER, Hongkong, 19th February, 1916.

NOTICE.

CANADIAN PACIFIC OCEAN SERVICES LIMITED.

Pacific Service. I have this day handed over the Hongkong Agency to Mr. J. H. Wallace who will assume charge as General Agent, during my absence on leave. D. W. CRADDOCK, General Traffic Agent, Hongkong, 14th February, 1916.

NOTICE

BLUE CROSS FUND.

HORSES

IN WARTIME THE HONGKONG AMATEUR DRAMATIC CLUB PRESENTS "THE ANGEL IN THE HOUSE" a Comedy in 3 Acts By B. Macdonald Hastings & Eden Phillips. Last Year's great London Success! on Saturday 4th March 8.30 & Monday 6th March 7 p.m. Booking at Moutrie's from Friday, February 25th at 9 a.m. Prices—\$4, \$3, \$2. BLUE CROSS FUND.

NOTICE.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

RACE MEETING, 1916.

MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY and SATURDAY

(OFF-DAY).

FEBRUARY 21ST, 22ND, 23RD AND 24TH.

TICKETS of ADMISSION to the GRAND STAND and ENCLOSURE may be obtained from Messrs. KELLY & WALSH, Ltd., or at the Gate. Price \$7 for the Meeting (excluding the OFF-DAY), or \$3 per day. Tickets for the OFF-DAY, \$2.

No one is admitted without a Ticket to be shown to the Ticket Inspector at the Gate.

T. F. HOUGH,

Clerk of the Course, Hongkong, 16th February, 1916.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB

THE STEWARDS request the pleasure of the presence of the LADIES at the GRAND STAND and the ENCLOSURE during the Races.

A Stand and the Enclosure will be reserved for Members and Members' Wives and Families. Tickets for which are being sent out with the Members' Tickets.

All tickets must be produced to gain admission.

Special accommodation will be reserved in recent years for Chinese Ladies and their Female attendants in the Stand erected on the plot of ground next to the Lusitano Club Stand.

T. F. HOUGH,

Clerk of the Course, Hongkong, 16th February, 1916.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

PASSES for Servants will be issued on application to the Undersigned on SATURDAY, 19th inst.

No Servants will be allowed inside the ENCLOSURE of the Race Course during the Race Day WITHOUT TICKETS, which can be had on application to the Undersigned. These Tickets are only available for Servants while in attendance on their employers or when on duty at the various Stands.

Any Chinese found loitering about with Servants' passes in their possession will forfeit them, and the holders thereof will be removed from the Enclosure.

T. F. HOUGH,

Clerk of the Course, Hongkong, 16th February, 1916.

NOTICE.

THE CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN & MORTGAGE CO., LTD.

THE NINETEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Offices of the Company, St. George's Building, No. 6 Connaught Road, on FRIDAY, the 25th February, 1916 at 11.30 a.m., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1915, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 21st February, 1916 until FRIDAY the 25th February, 1916, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN TOMES & CO.

General Managers, Hongkong, 16th February, 1916.

NOTICE.

From and after this date the vessels of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company's Royal Mail Steamship Line will be operated under the title of the CANADIAN PACIFIC OCEAN SERVICES LTD., as Managers and Agents for the Canadian Pacific Railway Ocean Steamships.

D. W. CRADDOCK,

General Traffic Agent, Hongkong, 14th February, 1916.

POST OFFICE

Correspondence addressed to enemy subjects in China, Siam, Persia and Morocco cannot be transmitted.

The Services to Germany, Austria, and the Ottoman Empire are suspended.

Ships in communication with Cape D'Agulhas Radio Telegraph Station—Nippon Maru Andre Leben

MAILS DUE.

Shanghai, China, 21st Feb. America, Nippon Maru, 21st Feb. Australia, Japan, 21st Feb. Europe (London 19th Jan. via Siberia), 21st Feb. Hongkong, 21st Feb. Manila, Japan, 21st Feb. Australia, St. Albans, 21st Feb. Europe (London 19th Jan. via Siberia), 21st Feb. Saigon, 21st Feb. Shanghai, 21st Feb. Singapore, 21st Feb.

MAILS CLOSE TO-DAY.

Formosa via Amoy—Per SHIBETON MARU, 21st Feb. 5 p.m. Shanghai and Tientsin—Per SEUTHEIN, 21st Feb. 5 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

Saigon—Per CHEFOO, 22nd Feb. 1 p.m. Port Bayard—Per SUTKAL, 22nd Feb. 7 a.m.

Hohow and Tientsin—Per HAILAN, 22nd Feb. 8 a.m. Manila—Per TITAN, 22nd Feb. 9 a.m.

Port Bayard and Huphong—Per HANOL, 22nd Feb. 9 a.m.

Shanghai, N. China, Japan via North and South America, B.C. via Seattle (Europe via Siberia), 22nd Feb. 11 a.m.

[Shanghai Br. P.O. Saturday, 25th Feb.] Swatow—Per SELUN, 22nd Feb. 11 a.m.

Ningpo, Shanghai and North China—Per WENCHOW, 22nd Feb. 2 p.m.

Philippine Islands—Per CHIN HUA, 22nd Feb. 3 p.m.

Shanghai and North China—Per ANHUI, 22nd Feb. 3 p.m.

Shanghai, North China, Japan via Moji, (Europe via Siberia)—Per NOR, 22nd Feb. 5 p.m.

(Shanghai Br. P.O. Saturday 25th Feb.) Japan via Kobe—Per KUMSANG, 22nd Feb. 5 p.m.

Shanghai and N. China—Per ESANG, 19th Feb. 5 p.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Fuchow—Per HAILAN, 23rd Feb. 11 a.m.

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SHIPPING NEWS.

ARRIVED.

Van Spilbergen, Dutch, ss. 1,865, R. de Weerd, 19th Feb.—Hongkong, 16th Feb. Coal—J. C. J. L.

Chafco, Chinese, ss. 634, Sinclair, 19th Feb.—Saigon, 13th Feb. Rice—T. T. S. S. Co.

Alcinous, Br. 4,278, R. Rio, 19th Feb.—Liverpool, Singapore, 13th Feb. General—Butterfield & Swire.

S. Jacob, Dutch, ss. 2,883, T. Bance, 19th Feb.—Singapore, 13th Feb. Rice—J. C. J. L.

Prometheus, Nor. ss. 1,024, H. Jenks, 19th Feb.—Rangoon, 13th Feb. Coal—O. S. S. Co.

Shibetun Maru, Jap. ss. 2,743, 20th Feb.—Moji, 14th Feb. Coal—O. S. S. Co.

Nichiren Maru, Jap. ss. 1,595, S. Sumiki, 20th Feb.—Wakamatsu, 4th Feb. Coal—M. R. K.

Nagayo, Br. ss. 1,222, J. A. N. Culloch, 20th Feb.—Saigon, 15th Feb. Rice—B. & S.

Yunnan, Br. ss. 1,201, W. French, 20th Feb.—Saigon, 14th Feb. Rice—B. & S.

Senkang, Br. ss. 1,616, C. C. Williams, 20th Feb.—Shanghai, 17th Feb. Gen.—B. & S.

Vang, Nor. 873, J. Jobson, 20th Feb.—Saigon, 14th Feb. Rice—T. & Co.

Nankin, Br. ss. 5,327, G. Manley, 20th Feb.—Singapore, 15th Feb. Gen.—P. & O. S. S. Co.

Faunang, Br. ss. 1,410, H. S. Malin, 21st Feb.—Saigon, 15th Feb. Rice and Timber—J. M. & Co.

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WEATHER REPORT.

On the 19th at 11.07—A fresh anticyclone has formed over N. China.

Pressure has decreased slightly from Formosa to Borneo and over S.W. China.

No returns from Japanese stations.

Fresh monsoon may be expected along the east coast of China.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.60 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

District Forecast.

1 Hongkong to Gap Rock—East winds, fresh; cloudy.

2 Formosa Channel—N.E. winds, strong.

3 South coast of China bet. Formosa and Hainan—The same as No. 1.

4 South coast of China bet. Hainan and Indochina—The same as No. 1.

China Coast Meteorological Register, 18th February, a.m.

Station Hourly.

Barometer, Temperature, Humidity, Wind, Direction, Force, Weather.

Wootstock 6a 30.02 wsw 1

Nemuro 5a 30.13 nne 1

Hakodate 30.20 nw 1

Tokyo 30.19 wsw 1

Kobe 30.15 w 1

Shanghai 30.15 w 1

Yokohama 30.15 w 1

Manila 30.15 w 1

Singapore 30.15 w 1

Batavia 30.15 w 1

Calcutta 30.15 w 1

Rangoon 30.15 w 1

Colombo 30.15 w 1

Aden 30.15 w 1

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Subject to sufficient entries being received, an Amateur Boxing Competition open to Hongkong will be held in the Gymnasium of the V.R.C. on Saturday, February 26th.

Conditions: (a) 3 two-minute rounds. If undecided an extra round of one minute.

(b) In 3 weights: 118 lbs., 132 lbs. and 146 lbs.

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